



City of Scottsdale  
McDowell Sonoran Preserve Commission  
Regular Meeting **MARKED AGENDA**  
Thursday, September 5, 2019 – 5:00 p.m.  
Florence Ely Nelson Desert Park  
8950 E. Pinnacle Peak Road  
Scottsdale, AZ 85255

*As a member of the Scottsdale community, I will genuinely listen; speak respectfully; and be accountable for my words and actions.*

1. **CALL TO ORDER 5:01 p.m.**

2. **ROLL CALL**

**PRESENT: Chairperson Steve Dodd, Vice-chair Cynthia Wenstrom, Commissioners Mark Hackbarth, Laurie LaPat-Polasko, Marsha Lipps, Jace McKeighan, and Tawana Parker**

3. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Citizens may address the members of the McDowell Sonoran Preserve Commission during Public Comment. This “Public Comment” time is reserved for citizen comments regarding non-agendized items. However, Arizona State Law prohibits the McDowell Sonoran Preserve Commission from discussing or taking action on an item that is not on the prepared agenda.

Commission Action: Information item

4. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Approval of the Regular Meeting minutes of June 6, 2019

**APPROVED: 7-0; motion by Vice-Chair Wenstrom; 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Lipps; Chair Dodd, Vice-Chair Wenstrom; Commissioners Hackbarth, LaPat-Polasko, Lipps, McKeighan, and Parker voted in the affirmative; there were no dissenting votes**

Commission Actions: Discussion and possible action

**5. MCDOWELL SONORAN CONSERVANCY UPDATE**

Justin Owen, McDowell Sonoran Preserve Executive Director, will give the Commission an update on the activities of the Conservancy.

Commission Action: Information and discussion

**6. 25<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF THE PRESERVE CELEBRATION**

Scott Hamilton, Preserve Manager, will outline plans for the upcoming 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Preserve and the Commission may provide input and suggestions for the celebration in October 2019.

Commission Action: Information and discussion

**7. PLAQUES TO RECOGNIZE CONTRIBUTIONS OF MOUNTAINEERS AND EQUESTRIAN COMMUNITIES TO THE PRESERVE**

Scott Hamilton, Preserve Manager, will outline plans for recognition for those communities that have contributed greatly to the Preserve effort.

- Mountaineer
- Equestrian

Commission Action: Information and discussion

**8. FIELD INSTITUTE UPDATE**

Dr. Helen Rowe, from the Field Institute, will update the Commission on the activities of the Institute's in the Preserve.

Commission Action: Information and discussion

**9. COMMISSION REVIEW / DISCUSSION OF MEETING DATES AND TIMES**

The Commission may discuss the dates and starting times for the meetings.

Commission Action: Information and discussion

## **10. STAFF REPORTS**

- Dog Committee
- Trails status
  - Maps and Signage
- Trailhead Improvements
  - Pima/Dynamite
  - Fraesfield
  - Granite Mountain

Commission Action: Information and discussion

## **11. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS**

Commissioners may provide information on items of interest to the Commission.

Commission Actions: Information and discussion

## **12. AGENDA ITEMS FOR FUTURE MEETINGS**

Future Agenda Items:

- Budget Review
- Land Acquisition
- Cultural Plan

## **13. ADJOURNMENT 6:16 p.m.**

**APPROVED: 7-0; motion by Vice-Chair Wenstrom; 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Lipps; Chair Dodd, Vice-Chair Wenstrom; Commissioners Hackbarth, LaPat-Polasko, Lipps, McKeighan, and Parker voted in the affirmative; there were no dissenting votes**

Commission Actions: Motion to adjourn

The Commission cannot discuss or vote on items not on the agenda, including items brought up as Commission or public comments. If action by the Commission is required, the item should be placed on the next meeting's agenda to be consistent with the Arizona Open Meetings Law.



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